Circulation of counterfeit currency

188. DR. ABRAR AHMED:
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any decline in the circulation of counterfeit Indian currency in the market in the recent past; and

(b) if so, to what extent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) and (b) Latest Data on counterfeit currency seized/recovered compiled by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) available upto September, 2002 do not show any specific trend. The amount of counterfeit Indian bank notes seized/recovered during 2000,2001 and 2002 (upto September, 2002) is as follows:—

Year	Amount seized/Recovered. (Rs. Crores)
2000	5.94
2001	5.30
2002(upto September)	5.33

Trends in revenue collection

189. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:
SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the trends in revenue collection in the first quarter of the current financial year; and

(b) what is the prorata increase or decrease in respect of each tax?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL): (a) and (b) Revenue collection for Customs and Central Excise in the first quarter of the current financial